

1-1 By: Bonnen, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Taylor) H.B. No. 574
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 19, 2021;
 1-3 April 21, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on State
 1-4 Affairs; May 5, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 3; May 5, 2021, sent
 1-6 to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8				
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
1-13		X		
1-14	X			
1-15		X		
1-16	X			
1-17		X		

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 574 By: Hughes

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the creation of criminal offenses involving elections.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Chapter 276, Election Code, is amended by adding
 1-24 Section 276.014 to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 276.014. OTHER ELECTION OFFENSES. (a) A person
 1-26 commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally makes
 1-27 any effort to:

1-28 (1) count votes the person knows are invalid or alter a
 1-29 report to include votes the person knows are invalid; or

1-30 (2) refuse to count valid votes or alter a report to
 1-31 exclude valid votes.

1-32 (b) An offense under this section is a felony of the second
 1-33 degree.

1-34 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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